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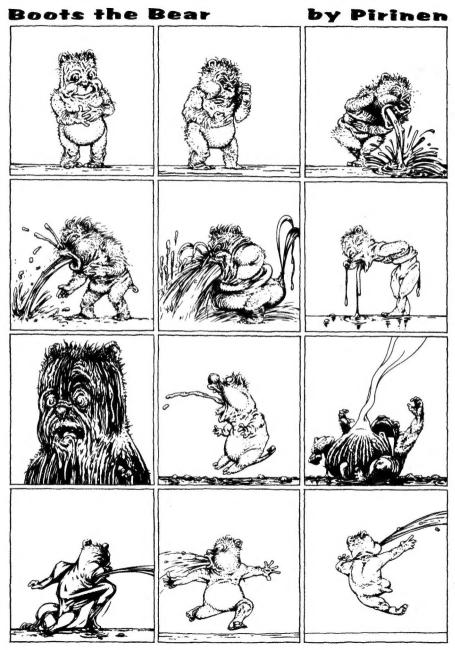
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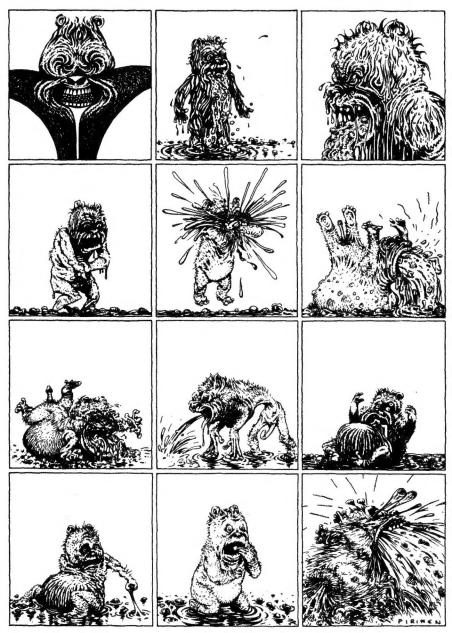
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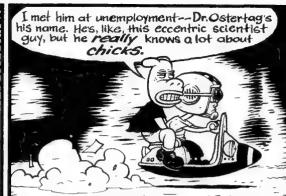














Life's a bitch and then you die. Look, here's Delvin Kennedy, age 47, who has established his own contracting business.



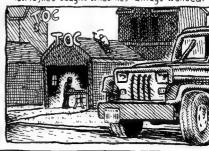
"Hard work and dedication are the only way to go from being a boy to a man "he'll tell you!



A few lucky breaks don't hurt-sure! One job to build a garage in the "good" part of town leads to a few others-it's all word of mouth!



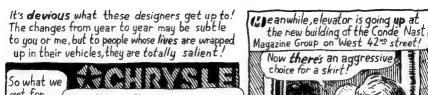
So all of the sudden Delvin finds himself with a little extra money! And before you know it, he's bought what he's always wanted!



But on this beautiful late summer's day Delvin's 1996 Jeep YJ, joyfully purchased a few months ago, has turned out to be a source of frustration and embarrassment







got for styling cues?
We gotta go with the round headlights and vertical grille to tap into the return to roots feedback from our focus groups!



For the women we know, these rides to the offices of the world's most fashionable





For two months now Michael has skipped school because his mother can't afford to buy him the right clothes. Who needs the hassle?

Yo, check out his what I'm noticin'is poor boy gear!

What I'm noticin'is those weak shoes!

All of which would be some cold comfort to Delvin In fact, now's definitely not the time to mention to him that he's caught up in the fashion trap like everyone else!

McKercher Drive is backed up all the way to Eighth Street...

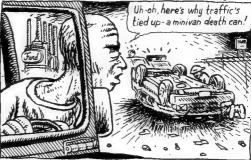


Delvin does his best thinking when traffic's flowing -he'll have to tell his wife about his decision about the Jeep when he gets home and have that long motivational talk with his directionless 23—year-old son he's been putting off as well!



What am Son, I've given some thought to your prospects and I've I going to get with come to the conclusion that my degree while yes, factory workers in archhave been replaced by robots skilled aeology! technicians Sweet dick all! still build and service them!

And the beauty of it is, skilled technicians can pull in \$75,000 to \$100,000 a year easy. Yep, there's nothing like getting behind the wheel to help with creative problem solving!



(1) minivan! Since Dodge introduced the Aerostar in 1984, the minivan has become symbolic of a great irony of our time!

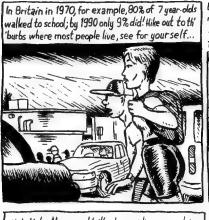
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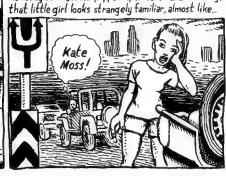
Parents with safety concerns have insisted that their children become more dependent on cars while at the same time cars have become the leading cause of kid's deaths! The walk to school, the crossing guard, are history!



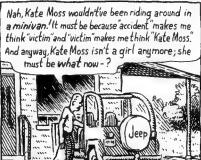
Corner of Castle wood Road & Roselawn Avenue, long time ago.



Delvin's YJ swings by the crash site. The family in the minivan were lucky-their seat belts and the fact that no faulty door latches popped open saved them. Funny, that little girl looks strangely familiar, almost like...



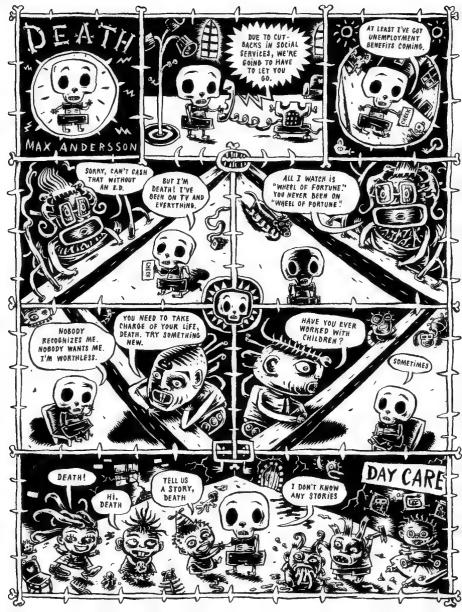
She was 14 when she was discovered in 1988 while

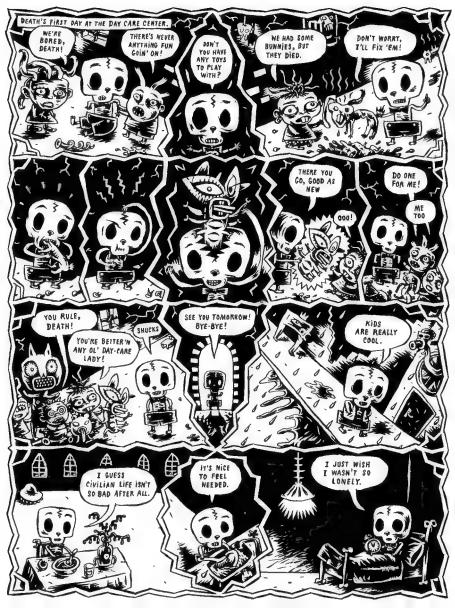


waiting with her dad for a standby flight back to England.

We've been waiting three bloody days:





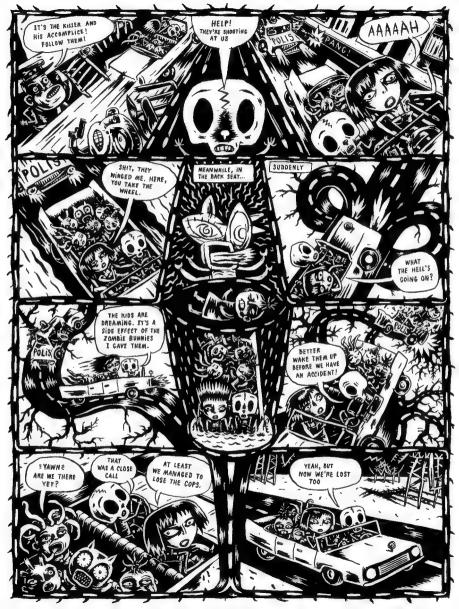


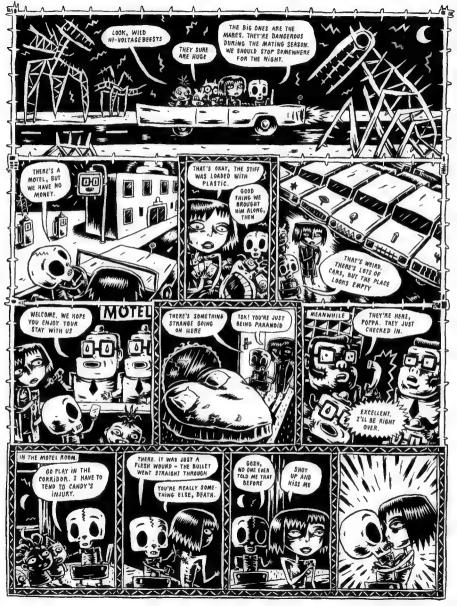
















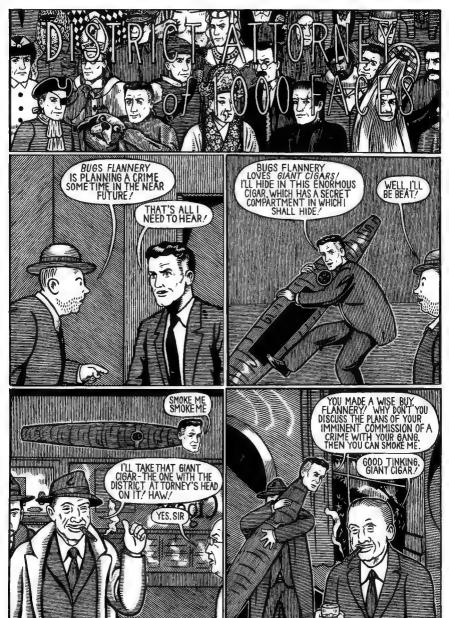








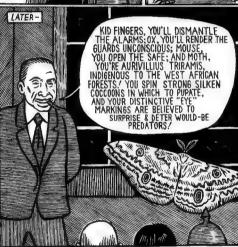














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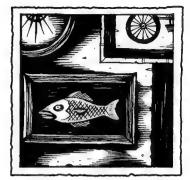
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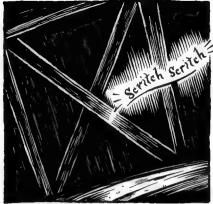
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## Previously~

Broom Continues digging into the life of mysterious outsider artist Fmile Jarnac. unaware that Professor Peeke~ the person who hired him ~ is now dead. From Dr. Erdling, Broom hears the secret of G.A.S.H., and Lenz tells him about Celeste. Broom travels to Crow's Creek and learns more about Celeste from Vogardus who also warns Broom to stay away from the old windmill where Jarnac lived his final























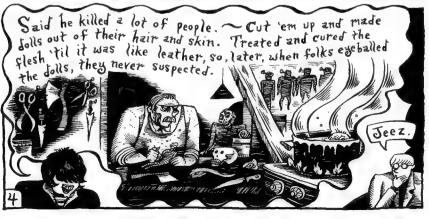












Cops caught him for one killin', but never rigured out who he was Stuck him in a nut-Stuck house, but he broke out took some psychological with him.















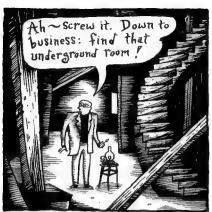








Something's bothering me. Root writes a book claiming Jarnac was Something in al Ghoul, then he's killed by the So-called new Ghoul. the original Ghoul to be a coincidence. Jarnac couldn't still be that's could he? Even if he was why kill all the other stargazers? That's could he? Even if he was why kill all the other stargazers? alive just how did Root's manuscript end up in a garbage can in And Screek? ##6&#! I should have asked whose garbage can!







































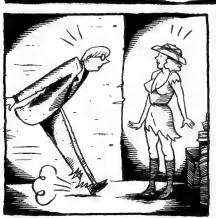






























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So! Are you enjoying "Crumple"? Dave Cooper masochist that he is, wants to know. Please write him at P.O. Box 74078, 35 Beechwood Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada K1M 2H9. Dave is working on a newsletter (on all matters Cooperian), and he may even do a nice little sketch if you kiss his ass in a sufficiently deferential manner. He's also selling some of his art write with any specific inquiries. Just write, OK?

We're pleased to welcome P. Revess in this issue, with the first of a series of strips reprinted from an obscure source. (If I told you what it was, you'd run out and buy a copy just so you could bellyache about get-ting ripped off with reprints in ZERO ZERO — I know you little weasels.) In fact, this is virtually the all-reprint issue of ZZ, since Dan Clowes's admirable back cover appeared originally on the front of the Eurotoon magazine Strapazin, Mr. Clowes, prince that he is, did

re-color it and provide the "decorations."

Of the mysterious Joakim Pirinen, whose vomitous tale graces this issue, little need to be said, other than that he's a fuckin' Swede, just like cover boy Max Andersson. What do they put in that Socialist water over there, anyway? Sure draws purty, though.

Next issue: a fifteen-page chapter of Ted Stearn's Next issue: a *inteen*-page chapter of "Fuzz and Pluck." I accept your gratitude humbly.

—K.I.

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